

PINELANDS RESEARCH SERIES



Speaker: Matt Ayres
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Time: 10 – 11 a.m.
Title: Ecology of the southern pine beetle: a smokeless wildfire in the Pinelands?
Location: Richard J. Sullivan Center, Pinelands Commission, 15 Springfield Road, New Lisbon, NJ (<http://www.state.nj.us/pinelands/about/direct/>)

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Clockwise from top left: a southern pine beetle near a pitch tube entrance, dead pine trees, Matt Ayres checking for southern pine beetle activity, and a checkered beetle (southern pine beetle predator).